1 2 3 4 5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 6 7 COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION FOR RESTORATION OF THE CASE NO: 13-CV-3016-TOR ENVIRONMENT, INC., a Washington 8 Non-Profit Corporation; and CENTER ORDER GRANTING STIPULATED FOR FOOD SAFETY, INC., a 9 MOTION TO DISMISS PLAINTIFFS' RCRA CLAIMS BASED ON Washington, D.C. Non-Profit Corporation, PRESENCE OF "OTHER 10 CONTAMINANTS" 11 Plaintiffs, 12 v. COW PALACE, LLC, a Washington 13 Limited Liability Company, et al., 14 Defendants. 15 16 BEFORE THE COURT is the parties' Stipulated Motion to Dismiss Certain of Plaintiffs' RCRA Claims Based on Presence of "Other Contaminants" (ECF No. 17 18 188). This matter was submitted for consideration without oral argument. The 19 Court has reviewed the motion and the record and files herein, and is fully 20 informed. For good cause shown, the Court grants the parties' motion. ORDER GRANTING STIPULATED MOTION TO DISMISS CERTAIN

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## **Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:**

- 1. The parties' Stipulated Motion to Dismiss Certain of Plaintiffs' RCRA Claims Based on Presence of "Other Contaminants" (ECF No. 188), is **GRANTED**.
- 2. To the extent Plaintiffs' Third Amended Complaint can be read to assert RCRA claims for imminent and substantial endangerment to human health against all Defendants that may have been premised on the alleged presence of "other contaminants" in the groundwater such claims are dismissed with prejudice. Specifically, any RCRA imminent and substantial endangerment to human health claims based on the alleged presence in groundwater of inorganic or organic elements, steroids, pathogens, pharmaceuticals, hormones or antibiotics, are dismissed with prejudice.
- 3. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Plaintiffs may refer to any admissible evidence showing the presence of "Other Contaminants" at the Defendants' properties and/or the alleged presence of "Other Contaminants" in support of their allegation that Defendants caused or contributed to the nitrate and phosphorus contamination of the environment, including that nitrate contamination may pose an imminent and substantial endangerment to human health and the environment, that phosphorus contamination may pose an imminent and substantial

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endangerment to the environment, and that Defendants' manure practices constitute illegal open dumping.

The District Court Executive is hereby directed to enter this Order and furnish copies to counsel.

**DATED** November 25, 2014.



THOMAS O. RICE United States District Judge

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